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No. 77. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel O. W. S. CHAMBERS, R. E., Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Waltair, 19th May 1864, No. 169:—

SIR,

1. In their Order No. 1,106 of the 18th April, Government desire to know whether Mr. G. Ross will continue to be employed in the Workshop or not, when its Establishment has been re-organized, or whether he will return to his appointment in the Public Works Department.

2. On Mr. Ross being asked whether he would accept of the appointment of First Class Supervisor in charge of the Workshops, he requested that he might be informed, before giving a decided answer, whether by joining the new Establishment he would forfeit all future claims to pension for past service.

3. I beg that Government will give an order on this point.

4. It seems to me that employment in the Government Workshops is as much employment in Government service as service in the Mint, or the Arsenal, or the Gun Carriage Manufactory, but if there should be any necessity for Mr. Ross' name to be on the permanent list of the employés of the Public Works Department, that he might be borne on the Return as a Supernumerary Supervisor: his pay would of course be met from the Workshop funds.

5. Mr. Ross has been for many years at work at the Workshops in subordinate grades, and for the last two years has had the practical direction of the Factory; he bears the highest character for good conduct and intelligence, and Major Stoddard reports that without him, now there is no Superintendent, the Workshop cannot go on working.

6. Mr. Ross has been passed over in promotion by his juniors, and sees men much inferior to himself in conduct and capacity receiving higher wages in the Irrigation Companies, but still he sticks to the service, influenced probably by unwillingness to throw away seventeen years' service.

7. Now comes the question whether by joining the new Establishment at the Workshops he is to forfeit all prospective advantage attendant on his length of service: it appears to me if it be a question at all, to be one that Government should answer in the negative.

No. 78. ORDER THEREON, 3rd June 1864, No. 1,625.

As a special case, the period of Mr. Ross' services in the Dowlaishweram Workshops, in the event of his accepting the appointment offered to him, will be considered as reckoning for pension.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.
„ Controller and Auditor of Public Works Accounts.
„ Pension Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Superintending Engrs Office
1st Division Baltiee
19th May 1864.

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From Lieutt Colonel Chambers R.E
Superintending Engineer
1st Division.

To Colonel C. A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government
P. P. Works

Sir,

In their order No 1106 of the 18th April, Government desire to know whether Mr G. Rees will continue to be employed in the Workshop or not, when its Establishment has been reorganized, or whether he will return to his appointment in the Public Works Department.

2. On Mr Rees being asked whether he would accept of the appointment of First class Supervisor in charge of the Workshops, he requested that

that he might be informed, before giving a decided answer, whether by joining the new Establishment, he would forfeit all future claims to pensions for past service.

3. I beg that Government will give an order on this point.

4. It seems to me that Employment in the Government Workshops is as much Employment in Government Service as Service in the Mint, or the Arsenal or the Gun Carriage Manufactory, but if there should be any necessity for Mr Ross' name to be on the permanent List of the Employes of the Public Works Department, that he might be borne on the Return as a Supernumerary Superviser: his pay would of course be met from the Workshop Funds.

5. Mr Ross has been for many years at work at the Workshops in subordinate grades, and for the last two years has had the practical direction of the factory: he bears the highest character for good conduct and intelligence and Major Stoddard reports that without him, now there is no Superintendent, the workshop cannot go on working.

6. Mr Ross has been passed over in promotion by his juniors and sees them much inferior to himself in conduct and capacity receiving higher wages in the irrigation companies, but still he sticks to the Service influenced probably by unwillingness to throw away 17 years service.

7. Now comes the question whether by joining the new Establishment at the workshops he is to forfeit all prospective advantage attendant on his length of Service: it appears to me, if it be a question at all, to be one that Government should answer in the negative.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Ord Chamberlain Lt Col RE
Superintending Engineer 1st Division

Lt Col Ord
Engineer

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Enforcing of the Employment of Mr. J. Rae in the Government Works at Londonderry, whether he will continue to be employed in Workshops or not, and requesting a reply in the Negative whether he performs the Work set at the Workshops to perform all profitable advantage attendant on his length of Service.

No 1825 of 3rd June

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In a special case, the period of the Post's Services in the Derbyshire Workshops, in the event of his accepting the appointment offered to him, will be considered as reckoning for pension.

Chepstow
3rd June 1864

To the Sup. Engr 1st Div.
Contr. Dept of Post Accts
" Pension Dept

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